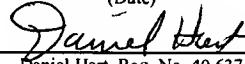




IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A purified or isolated nucleic acid comprising the sequence of one of SEQ ID NOs: [134-180] 136, 138, 139, 146, 150, 154, 156, 157, 167, and 169 or a sequence complementary thereto.
2. (Amended) A purified or isolated nucleic acid comprising at least 10 consecutive bases of the sequence of one of SEQ ID NOs: [134-180] 136, 138, 139, 146, 150, 154, 156, 157, 167, and 169 or one of the sequences complementary thereto.
3. (Amended) A purified or isolated nucleic acid comprising the full coding sequences of one of SEQ ID NOs: [136-148, 150, 152-154, 156-159, 161-163, 165, 167-170, 172-174, and 176-180,] 136, 138, 139, 146, 150, 154, 156, 157, 167, and 169 wherein the full coding sequence comprises the sequence encoding signal peptide and the sequence encoding mature protein.